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ALLY LABELED OLIGONUCLEOTIDE
OR POLYNUCLEOTIDE, AND KIT
AND APPARATUS CONTAINING SAME

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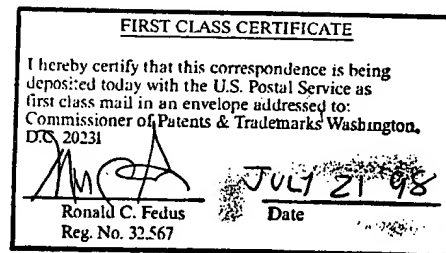
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115
(IN RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 21, 1998 OFFICE ACTION)

Dear Sir:

This Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 is in response to the January 21, 1998 Office Action that was issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the January 21, 1998 Office Action was originally due on April 21, 1998. Accompanying this response is a Request for an Extension of Time (3 months) and authorization for the fee therefor, thereby extending the deadline for responding in this application to July 21, 1998. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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